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ARMISTICE DAY IN COLONY.

Wreath-Laying at the Cenotaph.

IMPRESSIVE SCENES.

To-day being the twelfth anniversary of Armistice Day, the observation of the Two Minutes' Silence, in memory of the glorious dead, and the laying of wreaths at the Cenotaph were observed with all due solemnity. Arrangements were on a more elaborate scale than heretofore, and with everything going off quite smoothly, the result was a touching scene that will surely linger long in the memory.

The canopy of service uniforms, the white-robed priests, and the glittering orders of foreign representatives, dominated throughout by the vivid crimson of the Flanders poppy, all combined to produce a veritable panorama of colour.

Not the least impressive part of a most imposing ceremonial was the community singing of "O God, Our Help in Ages Past," the assembled public joining in with most gratifying fervour.

The Silence.

His Excellency the Governor arrived at 10.55, whereupon the troops lined up stood to attention. His Excellency was accompanied as far as the junction of Des Voeux and Jackson Roads by an escort of the Volunteer Corps.

Previously the Commodore (Captain A. H. Watson, O.B.E.), had arrived, followed almost immediately by His Excellency the General Officer Commanding, (Major-General J. W. Sandilands, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.).

The body of clergy, who took up their position at the western approach to the Cenotaph, a little before the hour, robed in the Supreme Court. pipers of the 2nd Battalion of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders then played the lament, "Flowers of the Forest," following which buglers of the 1st Battalion of the Somerset Light Infantry sounded the "Last Post." Officers then came to the salute.

At 11 o'clock precisely, one gun was fired from one of His Majesty's ships, after which the Silence was observed. A second round was fired to indicate its termination, whereupon the buglers sounded the Reveille, and the troops then stood at ease. The whole gathering, led by the Philharmonic Choir, joined in a truly impressive and touching singing of the hymn, "Oh God, our Help in Ages Past." The Prayer and Blessing followed, and then the National Anthem.

Laying of Wreaths.

His Excellency the Governor then proceeded to lay a wreath at the foot of the Cenotaph, being followed in procession by His Excellency the General Officer Commanding, the Commodore, the Senior Air Force Officer, the Royal Merchant Navy representatives, and representatives of foreign Navies and Armies. Members of the Executive and Legislative Councils brought up the rear.

Members of the Royal Navy, the Military and the Royal Air Force, the Royal Merchant Navy, the British Legion, the ex-Active Service Men's Association, and the Old Comrades' Association then laid wreaths, followed by civilian bodies.

The Governor left at 11.17, after which the clergy and troops also departed.

The Army and Q.A.L.M.N.S., the St. John Ambulance, Girl Guides, Boy Scouts, and the Philharmonic Choir took up their position at the north-west corner of the Cenotaph area, being flanked to the east by the Royal Air Force, and Indian officers. The band of the Somerset Light Infantry were directly north (the harbour side) of the Cenotaph. The north-east corner was occupied by Royal Naval Officers, the Royal Marines' Old Comrades' Association, the Royal Engineers' Old Comrades' Association, the British Legion, and the Royal Antediluvian Order of Buffaloes.

At the south-west corner ex-Naval and Military Nurses, the Ex-Active Service Men's Association, the Volunteer Corps, and a Royal Air Force detachment were

MASSACRE OF U.S. MISSIONARIES.

Infant Child and Nurse Also Slaughtered.

SAVAGE INDIANS.

New York, Yesterday. The Irish missionary, the Rev. McDowell, has cabled from Brazil reporting the slaughter of the American missionaries, Arthur Tylee, his infant daughter, and Miss Ethel Kratz (who was acting as nurse), presumably by Indians, at an isolated mission station near Jeruena, three weeks' journey by ox team from the nearest civilisation. Mrs. Tylee, who was wounded, is recovering.

There are no details of the massacre, but it is known that the district is peopled by Indians who are naked savages, armed with poisoned arrows.—Reuter's American Service:

positioned with Army detachments facing Chater Road.

Navy Detachment.

The Royal Navy detachment were stationed at the south-east corner, facing Chater Road, and representatives of foreign Armies and Navies, the Consular Body, and the Royal Merchant Navy were also allotted positions there.

Cathedral Service.

At the unofficial service at St. John's Cathedral, held at 9.45, His Excellency the Governor was

COLONIAL DEFENCE.

VESSELS TO BE AT DISPOSAL OF THE EMPIRE.

LORD PASSFIELD'S BILL.

London, Yesterday. The text is issued of a Bill presented by Lord Passfield in the House of Lords to amend the Colonial Naval Defence Acts and empower the legislature of any Colony with the approval of the King, to make a provision at the expense of the Colony for maintaining and using war vessels, such vessels and personnel to be placed at the King's disposal for the general service of the Royal Navy.—Reuter.

BRITAIN & BRAZIL.

FORMER DEBTS & CONTRACTS TO BE RESPECTED.

RELATIONS THE SAME.

London, Yesterday. In the House of Commons at question time Mr. Arthur Henderson said that the new Brazilian Government had informed the British Ambassador they will respect all existing treaties, public debts, contracts and other legally enacted obligations. His Majesty's Government had informed the Brazilian Government that it considered that the recent change of Government in Brazil in no way affects British and Brazilian diplomatic relations.—Reuter.

LOWER WAGES?

THREE PER CENT. REDUCTIONS IN GERMANY.

PRICES LOWER.

Berlin, Yesterday. Considerable importance is attached to the agreed three per cent reduction in the metal workers' wages, which will reach an eight per cent reduction in 1931, as it is anticipated that it is the first stage in a movement which will have widespread results throughout Europe.

The reduction is considered to foreshadow a general lowering of wages, with an accompanying decrease in cost and sale prices of German industrial products in competition with other nations.

Steps have similarly been taken, aimed at the reduction of the prices of food, but obstacles are being encountered in regard to wheat and frozen meat. The metal manufacturers are already reducing their prices.—Reuter.

GENERAL ELECTION.

CHURCH AND DEMOCRATS TO IN VIENNA.

PAN-GERMAN BLOC.

Vienna, Yesterday. The general election for 165 seats in the National Assembly show that the Christian Socialists, or Clerical Party and the Heimwehr have up to the present secured 53 seats, the Social Democrats 57, the National Economic bloc and the Agrarian League 11, and the Home Bloc two.

The Christian Socialists have been the majority party for eight years, and have maintained a Government coalition with the Pan-Germans, Agrarians and anti-Socialists.

The Pan-Germans and Agrarians now form a bloc led by Herr Scheber, the ex-Chancellor and the former President of Police. All the prominent politicians have up to the present been returned.—Reuter.

CONSCRIPTION.

PERIOD TO BE LIMITED BY CONFERENCE.

GERMANY ABSTAINS.

Genoa, Yesterday. The Disarmament Committee adopted by 19 votes to nil, German and Russia abstaining, the revised Article One providing that annual services in conscription commences shall not exceed a period to be fixed later by the Disarmament Conference.—Reuter.

DEBATE ON CHINA.

BILL FOR THE BOXER INDEMNITY.

LOAN FROM U.S.?

BRITISH MINISTER'S RESIDENCE.

London, Yesterday. In the House of Commons at question time Mr. Arthur Henderson said that the settlement of the Boxer Indemnity was subject to the approval of Parliament, and the requisite Bill was being introduced as soon as the time could be found.

The Rt. Hon. Locker-Lampson asked whether the newspaper statements were true that a large sum was being handed over to the Chinese for the Canton-Hankow Railway against the advice of the Advisory Committee?

Mr. F. E. Mills (Lab.) asked if the reason for the renunciation of the Boxer Indemnity was a voluntary cancellation of its share by the Soviet Government seven years ago.

Mr. A. M. Samuel asked if Mr. Mr. Henderson would take up

the case of the British engineer on the Canton-Hankow Railway, whose pay, amounting to \$60,000, had been withheld. Mr. Henderson requested notice of this question.—Reuter.

Loan to China.

Washington, Yesterday. Mr. Linebarger, the U.S. Legal Adviser to the Chinese Government, who it is alleged, intends to discuss Chinese finance with officials, has not yet presented his credentials to show that he is acting officially for Nanking.

Opinion in the State Department as regards the justification of a loan to China is divided. Anyway, such a loan would require the authorisation of Congress.—Reuter's American Service.

Sir Miles Lampson.

London, Yesterday.

In the House of Commons, replying to a question as to whether His Majesty's Minister, Sir Miles Lampson, was arranging to reside in Nanking, Mr. Henderson said that the Minister visits the capital from time to time, while the Counsellor of the Legation divides his time between Nanking and Shanghai, and is thus constantly in touch with the National Government.—Reuter.

MUKDEN LEADER.

WAR LORD LEAVES FOR NANKING.

TIENTSIN, YESTERDAY.

It is authoritatively stated that Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang, who arrived here late on Saturday evening, is leaving for Nanking this evening. Nanking's representatives, Ho Yao-tai and Chang Chun, arrived here to-day, and the necessary formalities having been arranged, are returning to the capital with Chang Hsueh-liang.

The Marshal is accompanied by a large staff and a personal bodyguard numbering 600, but it is impossible for the present to ascertain whether all of them are proceeding to Nanking, as the stations are closely guarded and reliable information is very difficult to obtain.—Reuter.

Enthusiastic Reception.

Nanking, Yesterday. Banners are flying in all parts of the city in honour of the approaching visit of Chang Hsueh-liang, who is expected early tomorrow morning.

Leading Government officials will cross the river at seven o'clock to meet the Marshal at Pukow railway station.

Marshal Chang Kai-shek will arrive at Nanking to-morrow, in time personally to welcome the Manchurian leader.—Reuter.

JAPANESE NEWS.

Osaka, Yesterday. About 40 enemy dead have been discovered, while the latest figures of Japanese victims of the recent massacre show a total of 122 known dead and 17 still missing.—Reuter.

ATLANTIC RIVALRY.

GOVERNMENT TO ASSIST BRITISH LINES.

TWO NEW VESSELS.

London, Yesterday.

That two new British Trans-Atlantic steamers which do the work of three ordinary liners, will help Britain to cope with subsidised American and German competition, was mentioned by Mr. W. Graham in the House of Commons, which agreed to a financial resolution to implement the draft agreement between the Board of Trade and the Cunard Company.

Mr. Graham said that the first of these two vessels cost £4,500,000, of which sum the market would insure £2,500,000, the Government tendering to a special mooring buoy.

Vice-Marshall Lamb, on behalf of the Air Minister and other Air Ministry officials, and representatives of the German Embassy, welcomed Herr Dornier, whom Colonel the Master of Semipill invited to be his guest during his stay at Calshot.—Reuter.

Engine Trouble.

Amsterdam, Yesterday.

The giant flying boat, the Dornier DO-X, which has been held up here by adverse weather, at length started for Calshot at 10.30 this morning, but soon returned to the Zuider Zee, it is believed owing to engine trouble. It started off again at 11.45.

The DO-X flying-boat is carrying a crew of fifteen, which consists of ten Germans, two Swiss and three Americans.

There are twenty-one passengers.

MORE AIR SQUADRONS.

Tokyo, Yesterday.

An addition of 373,000,000 yen has been tentatively agreed as the Navy's share of the proceeds of the savings under the London Treaty.

The Finance Minister agreed tentatively to appropriation of 5,000,000 yen from other sources towards carrying out sundry plans for three years after 1935, including the establishment of two more air squadrons.—Reuter.

JAPAN'S NAVY.

SHARE OF PROCEEDS UNDER THE TREATY.

MORE AIR SQUADRONS.

Tokyo, Yesterday.

Great interest, not only in Britain and India but throughout the Empire, is being taken in the Indian Round Table Conference, which opens in London this week, and which the King Emperor will inaugurate at noon on Wednesday with a broadcast speech in the Royal Gallery of the House of Lords.

The purpose of the Conference is to seek the "greatest possible measure of agreement for final proposals which it will later be the duty of His Majesty's Government to submit to Parliament."

To attend the Conference there are present 57 representatives of British India and 16 representatives of Indian States, while representatives of the British Parliament drawn from the Labour, Conservative and Liberal ranks number 15. Several high officials, including the Governors of two Indian Provinces, Sir Malcolm Hailey and Sir Charles Innes, are attending in a consultative capacity.

The Conference will be, in the words of the Viceroy of India, "free to approach its task greatly assisted, indeed, but with liberty unimpeded, by the report of the Statutory Commission or by any other document which will be before it." Among these other documents will be a long despatch giving the views of the Government of India on the Statutory Commission's Report, and this as announced in the House of Commons, will be made public.

After the opening ceremony, the Conference will begin its sittings next Monday at St. James's Palace. Meanwhile, informal and preparatory meetings of the Indian States delegation and British Indian delegation, and of various committees, are being held.—British Wireless Service.

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BAD WEATHER.

Baara, Yesterday.

The French aviators Coulette and La Louette, who are flying from Paris in the fast time of 32 hours, though the wood has been eaten into, the cores of many of the piles are sound. Big baulks come out intact from their old setting in the river front.

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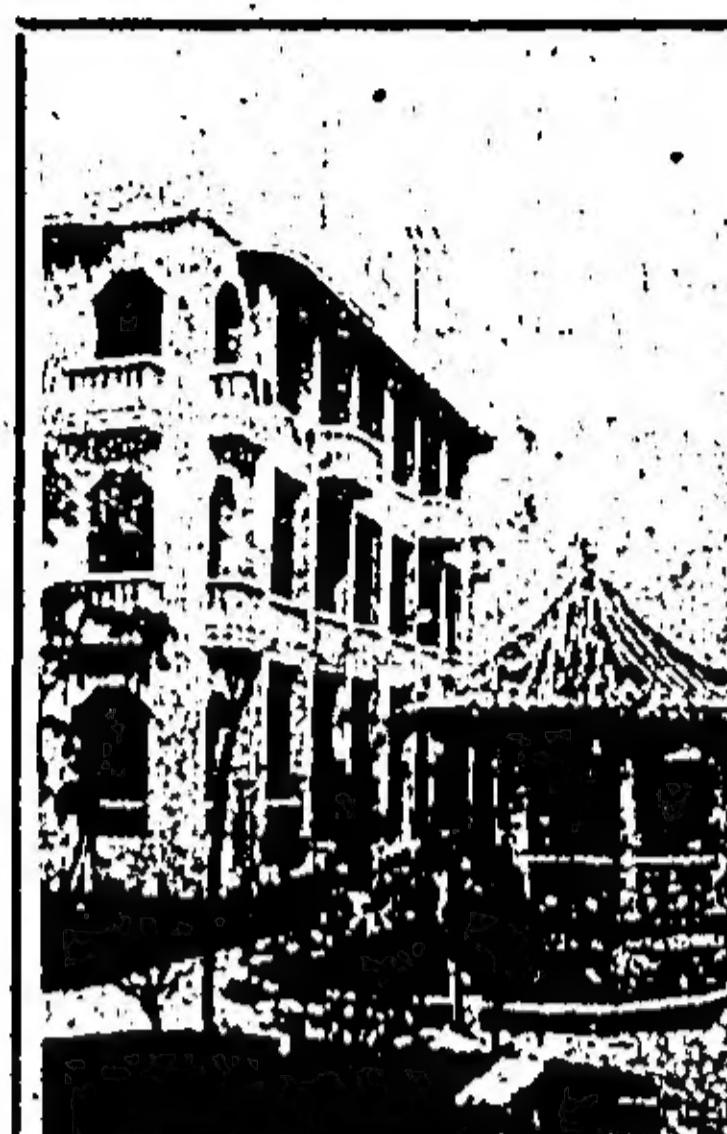
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All members of the Association and their guests, and other Ex-Service men, will be welcome. The price of tickets will be \$5.00 each. Those wishing to attend should notify the Hon. Secretary as soon as possible.

S. C. FELTHAM,
Hon. Secretary
(c/o P.W.D.).

Hong Kong, 10th Nov., 1930.

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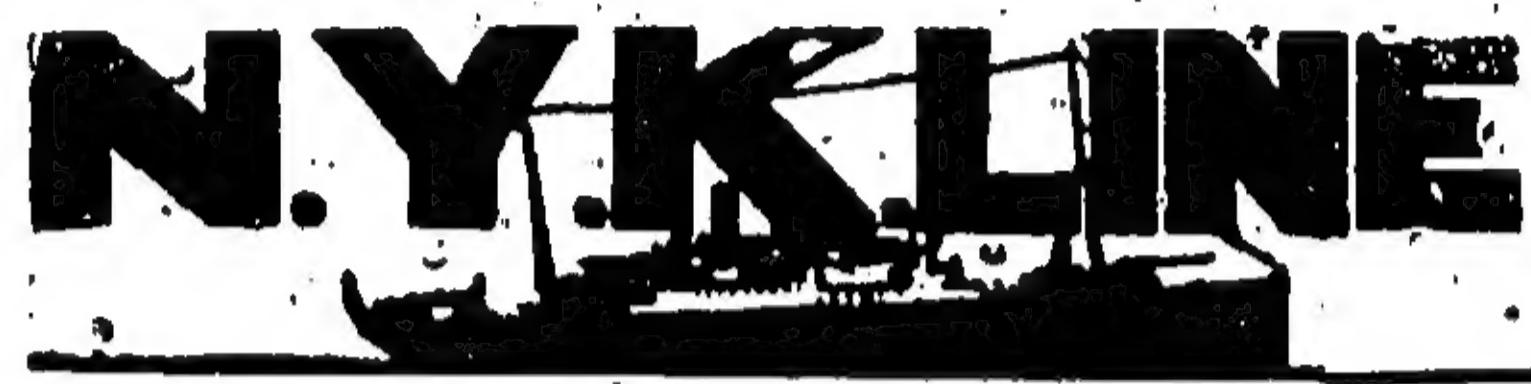
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JAPAN PORTS.

KEELUNG—via Swatow & Amoy.

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CREWLESS WARSHIP.

Berlin, Sept. 11. The cruiser *Zaehringen*, the famous crewless warship of the German navy, took fire and was destroyed by fire-brigade boats fought hard to save her from being completely destroyed.

The *Zaehringen*, whose engines and steering gear are controlled from the shore by wire, was as usual serving as a moving target for the German Fleet during firing practice in the Baltic. She was rushing to her aid



Shipping Intelligence.

SHIP SUBSIDIES.

EXISTING EXCESS OF TONNAGE.

New York, Aug. 25. Strong objections are expressed in the newspapers here to the Government's proposed loan of £9,000,000 to help to finance the construction of two American super-liners.

Objection is also taken to the United States Shipping Board's general policy of encouraging heavy shipbuilding operations in spite of the big excess of tonnage now existing, and the world-wide depression in ocean transportation.

The New York Journal of Commerce accuses the Government of permitting a desire for political prestige to take precedence over economic considerations. It criticizes the Shipping Board's boast that sixty-eight American ships of more than 700,000 gross tons are now under construction or projected as unwarranted by the trade outlook. It declares that the Board is actuated merely by a desire "to get ahead of the other fellow" regardless of expense.

Far-sighted shipping men able to stand unassisted are called upon to protest against the policy of wholesale subsidies, which, it is declared, force foreign countries to retaliate in the costly race for prestige.

Liners for War.

In describing the new giant liner which is to be built at St. Nazaire for the Cie. General Transatlantique, the Paris Correspondent of the Daily Telegraph stated that "all vessels flying the French colours are available in time of war for use as transport ships, aircraft carriers, or munition ships."

I am now able, writes that paper's naval correspondent, to add that one of the conditions on which the French Government is contributing two-thirds of the total cost of the new liner is that the designs shall be submitted to and approved by the naval authorities before work is started on the ship.

It is something of an anomaly that Great Britain should now be the only great maritime Power which does not exercise State supervision over the plans of new merchant vessels. Even in Germany, where Government subsidies are no longer paid for new mercantile construction, there is understood to exist a close liaison between shipowners, marine architects, and the Berlin Admiralty.

The relative value of the merchantman, and especially of the fast liner, as a potential naval auxiliary has been greatly increased by the London Naval Treaty, with its drastic limitation on the number of regular cruisers which the signatory Powers may maintain in the future. As the number of such vessels would be wholly inadequate in the face of a serious emergency—the British Empire, for example, would have only fifty cruisers, all told, with which to serve the battle fleet and guard our 80,000 miles of trade routes—there is, a natural and universal tendency to considerable tonnage and high speed as a potential cruiser or aircraft carrier.

It will not be forgotten that the Tenth Cruiser Squadron, which maintained the Northern Blockade during the war, was composed entirely of armed liners. Similar vessels were, for some time, used to supplement our regular naval forces on ocean patrol.

The last British liners to be built under Admiralty supervision were the *Mauretania* and *Lusitania*. This was done in consideration of a subsidy paid by the Government, under the terms of which the two ships were earmarked for naval service in the event of war. Actually, neither was ever used in a naval capacity as they were considered to be too valuable for other purposes. For the past thirty-three years, therefore, the Admiralty has had no jurisdiction over the designs of any British merchantmen, and to the best of my knowledge there is not one of our present liners which embodies any special feature to render her suitable for war service.

Very different is the position abroad. By a clause in the Jones-White Act—the measure which has given a tremendous impetus to the development of the United States merchant marine—the plans of every vessel the construction of which is financed by Government loan have to be approved by the Navy Department.

A suggestive feature of the Malolo and of the projected United States Lines steamers is the plan of every vessel the construction of which is financed by the virtual elimination of inflammable material. There can be no doubt that these vessels would be more formidable as armed cruisers than any liner under the

PACIFIC LINES COMBINE.

MATSON AND LOS ANGELES COMPANIES MERGED.

DETAILS WITHHELD.

San Francisco, Oct. 30. Consolidation of the Los Angeles Steamship Company and the Matson Navigation Company through a pooling of the securities of the two concerns was announced to-day, by officials of both lines. The financial details of the merger were not revealed.

The Matson Company operates a fleet of 22 ships between the Pacific Coast and Hawaii, the South Seas and Australia. This company is also joint owner, with the American-Hawaiian Steamship Company, of the Oceanic-Oriental Navigation Company, operating freight steamships to Oriental and Philippines ports.

The Los Angeles Steamship Company operates between Los Angeles and Hawaii, also touching San Francisco.—United Press.

CONTRABAND ON HUA TONG.

Manila, Nov. 1. The Chinese steamer *Hua Tong*, which has been in the lime-light for the past several weeks due to consignments of opium allegedly brought to the Islands by this steamer and confiscated by customs secret service agents, last Thursday yielded another case of goods which has been declared contraband for being neither manifested nor declared in the ship's store list.

The case contained 4986 combs several of which were in bad order. The case bore the mark "PL-Penang, for Export." No body claimed it after it was found by secret service agents of the bureau of customs in the crew's quarters of the ship. As it did not appear in the manifest of the ship nor in the ship's store list, it was seized as contraband.

The seizure of the case of combs on the s.s. *Hua Tong* reflected unfavourably on the officers of the ship, according to a high customs official. The presence of unmanifested cargo on board ships manned by Filipino crew substantiates revelations made recently that Filipino officers engage in business transactions in the performance of their duties, he said.—Manila Bulletin.

and passed the designs of the two 60,000-ton and the two 32,000-ton liners which are to be laid down for the United States Lines. It is safe inference that these four ships will incorporate special protective features which render them less vulnerable than the ordinary liner to gunfire or submarine attack. Their decks are to be made extraordinarily strong, to support the six-inch guns with which they would be armed in war time.

Another American high-speed liner, the *Malolo*, recently completed for the San Francisco-Hawaii service, was designed and built for eventual service as a war cruiser, and a public tribute to her value as a naval unit was paid by Admiral W. Benson, U.S.N., when she sailed on her maiden voyage.

It may be accepted as a fact that all the numerous liners and fast freighters now under construction or projected in the United States have been designed for naval supervision.

Formidable Cruisers.

A similar policy is being followed in France and Italy. In the latter country, ship-owners and ship-builders are working in close touch with the Ministry of Marine, whose experts pass judgment on the plans of every new merchant vessel of importance from the point of view of its naval utility. Gradually, therefore, there are being created abroad whole fleets of new merchant ships which would be available as armed cruisers in an emergency. While they naturally lack armour protection, their powers of resistance are strengthened by extensive subdivision below the water line and, in some cases—notably the *Bremen* and *Eurpa*—by the fitting of bugles.

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A NIGHT ATTACK.

ATLANTIC FLEET EXERCISES.

Shortly after 6 p.m. on September 23, the *Nelson* and the *Rodney* left their temporary anchorage off Helmsdale, writes the Times special correspondent aboard H.M.S. *Rodney*, from Dornoch Firth. Three hours later, when bugles were sounding and officers and men were hurrying to their stations for night action, we were steaming southward towards the Cromarty Firth at about 13 knots with Tarbet Ness light wrinkling far on the starboard bow and Coeves light near Lossiemouth to port. Ships were darkened, and when I left the brightly lit wardroom it was a matter of some difficulty to find one's way forward and up the ladders to the compass platform high up in the octopodal structure, with nothing but the dimmest of blue lights to show the way.

The *Nelson* and the *Rodney* were steaming in company, and close ahead I could see the squat, black shape of the Flagship, with her faint blue stern light just illuminating her phosphorescent wash. Farther ahead, at a distance of perhaps 2½ miles, were Vice-Admiral Pound's three battle cruisers, their hulls clearly visible through glasses.

Farther ahead again, spread out in line abreast, were the ships of the Second Cruiser Squadron, with the Hawkins apparently on the starboard wing. A mile or so astern of the *Rodney* I could see the hulls and bow waves of the three battleships of the Second Division—*Warspite*, *Barham*, and *Malaya*—in line ahead.

The night was dark, with dense clouds banked up on the horizon, which gradually blotted out the stars overhead as time went on. There was a shrewd breeze on the port bow, which just caused the little seas to break in splinters of foam. Visibility, however, was good and remained so, so that from the point of view of the destroyers the conditions were good for locating and attacking heavy ships, added to which I believe they knew our approximate speed, and our course within 40deg. We expected attacks almost at once, but it was not until 10 o'clock that we saw searchlights on the starboard bow. The enemy appeared to be steaming at a moderate speed on much the same course as the Fleet, and the firing of star shell showed that they were being engaged.

Ten minutes later a solitary destroyer was suddenly sighted about 300 yards on the Nelson's starboard bow and apparently crossing ahead. The Flagship promptly put her helm over and swerved to port, while the *Rodney* did the same. Some star shell were fired and I should imagine that the destroyer was "sunk" at point-blank range by the Flagship's 6-in. guns. This finished, we resumed our course. The next incident occurred at 11 o'clock, when a long line of destroyers were sighted on our starboard quarter. They were at a distance of no more than about 1,500 yards, steaming at moderate speed on much the same course as ourselves. Offering an

easy target, they were promptly engaged, and for a few minutes our 4.7's pumped star shell into the heavens, until the sky to the northward was punctuated with slowly falling globes of light like brilliant Chinese lanterns and marked with the smoky trails of the illuminants in the parachutes. The sea was bathed in a bluish-white glare, in which the destroyers stood out as silhouettes. As a spectacle it was magnificent.

Whether or not these destroyers sighted us before we saw them I do not know. Personally I doubt it. But they fired no torpedoes and

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SIRDHANA	7,745	22th Nov.	Amoy, Moji & Kobe.
RANCHI	16,650	5th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
PERIM	7,648	16th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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Memory and Resolve.

If November 11 were the only day of the year upon which we remembered those who perished in the Great War, there would be very little meaning in the Empire observance of the Silence. It would be better, in that case, to leave to each of us his or her own fading memories of the loved-ones who died in the years of massacre.

The Silence was instituted not only that we should make public manifestation of our remembrance but to recall to us that not only once a year but at all times we owe a duty to the great multitude who gave their lives for what they believed to be a sacred cause.

All of us who are old enough to remember clearly the general thought and feeling of that time, remember that though the motives with which so many men went out to fight were inevitably a strange mixture—in some merely a love of fierce adventure, in many more a simple unreflecting patriotism—those private motives were, for the great majority, sanctified by a belief, however dim and vague, that in resisting the German military machine they were fighting to save not only this Empre but the world from the curse of war itself.

"A war to end war" was more than a recruiting catchword; it was the summary of what justified men to themselves in taking part in that orgy of slaughter.

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MOTHERING THE CHORUS GIRL.

Making Life Worth While.

OFF STAGE SECRETS.

I suppose the time has long since passed when the uninitiated thought of a chorus girl either as a clergymen's daughter who, not seeing eye to eye with her parents, left the old homestead, or as a young adventuress, writes Mabel Ellams Hope, in the Morning Post. These ideas have gone the way of many other preconceived notions that encumbered our youthful outlook and literature.

It is hard lines on writers of romantic—as distinct from realistic—fiction; but quite number of chorus girls have adopted their profession with the full consent and approval of their parents, and they steadily contemplate years of hard work instead of an alliance with the peerage.

Fostering Ambition.

Whether it is a case of cause or effect, I do not profess to know; but quite a number of managers foster this spirit and do all they can to help the ambitious chorus girl rather than talk and think in terms of the survival of the fittest.

I have been in close contact with a revue management that specialises in a picked chorus. They have a couple of dozen young, fit, and beautiful girls of the educated type, and everything is done to make life worth while for them. No reasonable woman could object to her daughter being there, provided the girl had talent—which is a more



She: "What is the weather forecast for to-day? I want to go to town to buy a new frock."

Brute: "Storm, thunder, hail, and possibly a tidal wave."

Aussie, Sydney.

or less superfluous qualification, for if she had not, she wouldn't be there very long!

Earning While Learning.

To say that the girls are learning while they are earning is to go out of one's way to induce the cynic to remark that this is only too obvious in the case of the average member of a beauty chorus. I will therefore put the matter more plainly by explaining that every girl in the troupe, while she is working or rehearsing, is given free three dancing, two singing, and two elocution lessons per week. She may not have a word to say in the show for which she is engaged, but her ambition is stimulated, and her chances of ultimate fame improved by the elocution.

Obviously, from the management's point of view, it is not a bad investment on the whole; but from the point of view of the girls, it seems to be a kind of theatrical Utopia.

Everybody who has sat and watched dozens of exquisite girls file by, each one with marvellously well-cared-for hair, has thought: "Poor girl, I expect it costs something out of her slender salary to keep those waves in place. A guinea goes nowhere when it comes to hair!"

Under the management whose methods I am describing, every girl has her hair kept perfectly, and her hands manicured free of cost. The trouble only begins if they do not present themselves for "treatment" regularly, and woe betide them if the "guy-nor" sees a hair out of place. Warm jerseys are provided for them to slip over their uniform practice-dresses so that they do not catch cold when they stop dancing; on tour, they are given board and lodgings, for which only a pound a week is deducted from their salary; and when in London canteen arrangements are made so that they can get good and cheap lunches. Anybody who has tried to get board and lodging in a provincial town knows how far a pound a week would go in the ordinary way.

Style Cramped?

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SUMMONS DELAY.

PROTEST BY MR. H. G. BRAYFIELD.

APPEAL AGAINST DECISION.

Before Mr. H. R. Butters at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon, Mr. T. H. G. Brayfield was summoned for causing an obstruction in Salisbury Road on October 16 by parking his motor car across the white lines.

Mr. Brayfield at the outset of the case protested against the summons being served on him at his office in Hong Kong instead of at his home in Tai Po, claiming that according to regulations the summons ought to be left at the abode of the person summoned. He also drew attention to a delay of 11 days in the serving of the summons on him.

The Magistrate overruled the objection, whereupon Mr. Brayfield asked that, in view of the Magistrate's decision, and the fact that no attempt was made to provide a parking place at the ferry circus, he be given leave to appeal for a re-hearing of the case in a higher Court.

The Magistrate decided to register a conviction and imposed a fine of \$10.

Mr. Brayfield repeated that he wished to appeal, whereupon Mr. Butters remarked: "Then, I think you will have to appeal in writing. You have got a week before you do it."

LEPERS' MISSION.

CONCERT IN THE THEATRE ROYAL TO-MORROW.

The following is the programme of a concert to be given in the Theatre Royal to-morrow under the patronage of H.E. the Governor and Lady Peel in aid of the Chinese Mission to Lepers, Hong Kong Auxiliary:

1. Songs:
(a) "Arioso de Bonaventura"
(Diaz).
(b) "Pensee d'Automne"
(Masenet). Mr. Li Chor-chi.

2. Violin Solo:
"1st Polonaise Brillante"
(Wieniawski). Mrs. Balean.

3. Song:
"The Demon's Song" (H. Oliver).

Mr. W. Houston Bailey.

4. Chinese String Trio:
"The Bed Curtain".
Messrs. Pun In-tat, Lui Man-shing, Mr. Ping-Kit.

5. Song:
"Songs My Mother Taught Me"
(Dvorak). Mrs. R. Sanger.

6. Deck Party at the Piano.

7. Song:
"Red Rose of England"
(H. Oliver).

Mrs. Bruce Wilson.
10 Minutes Interval.

8. Cantatas Song:
"The Flower Girl".
Mrs. Lui Man-shing.

9. Song:
"Up From Somerset"
(Sanderson).

Mr. W. Houston Bailey.

10. A Yorkshire Philosopher.
Mr. W. J. Geall.

11. Song:
"Awake" (H. G. Peller).

Mrs. Bruce Wilson.

12. Violin Solo:
"Caprice Viennois" (F. Kreisler).

Mrs. Balean.

13. Song:
"Mettilnata" (Leoncavallo).

Mrs. R. Sanger.

14. Band Selection:
Members of the A. & S.H. Band.

Accompanists: Mr. W. F. Fleming.

Music supplied by Members of the A. & S.H. Band (by kind permission of Lt.-Col. R. McLaine, M.C.).

STEAMER'S MOVEMENTS.

The B.I. s.s. Talamba left Kobe for this port on November 8, p.m., and is due here on November 13 at daylight.

See if their style is cramped! And I was turned loose among them, so to speak.

I selected a little flower-like blonde, wearing the red pocket on her jumper that denoted "front line," and asked her if she liked being looked after. I particularly selected her because she had been called a qualified nuisance by the "guy-nor" for trying to rehearse with a bad heel and one soft shoe.

At my query, she paused, and then suddenly jumped to it. "Like it," she said. "Why, of course. Everything's so marvellous; everybody helps us."

"I suppose the free lessons and hair-dressing, and all that, are attractive," I suggested. "but don't you find that you are well-restricted?"

"How?" she asked. And what could anybody say in the face of that!

In short, I gathered that all the girls thought themselves very lucky to have been selected by the management; they felt in their own way that they had passed a kind of examination—as, indeed, they had. Reverting to the "principal tour" or "try-out," my little blonde added: "You see, knowing that we are so well looked after by the management, every body treats us differently. They think more of us. Landladies, for instance—you understand?"

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LONDON, S.E. 17.**QUESTIONS FOR GOLF
REFORM.**Under Consideration of
the R. and A.**DIFFICULT GAME.**

Discussing various matters to be considered by the Royal and Ancient Club Charles Ambrose in the Morning Post says: "Perhaps, the one which affects the ordinary golfer, far and wide, more than any other, is the burning 'Ball Question.'

The question, as every golfer knows, is whether the driving power of the existing standard ball has not increased to such an extent that—

(1) It makes the game too easy.

(2) It makes certain famous golf courses seem too short.

(3) It is further "spoiling the game" by favouring the slinger, who "gets his fours" at all holes up to a quarter-of-a-mile in length with a bovine sleg and a pitch with a masher-niblick at the expense of the artiste who has spent a lifetime mugging up technique such as "toeing" and "heeling" long wooden-club shots to "use the wind," and so forth.

A CONSERVATIVE.

Let me come out into the open at once and say that I am all for keeping our ball as it is, in spite of the important consideration that the larger, lighter ball already standardized by the United States Golf Association is to come into compulsory use on next New Year's Day.

The actual difference between the British and American ball will then be that ours will still weigh 1.62 oz, and measures 1.62 in. in diameter, whereas theirs will be reduced in weight to 1.55 oz, and increased in size to 1.68 in. Experiments with this new American ball have shown that first-class players can drive it farther than ever downwind, but that against the wind it is much more difficult to manage.

Perhaps we may hope that, after a reasonable trial, the Americans will revert to the British notion that golf as a game is quite difficult enough—and "then some"—for the vast majority of us with our present ball. What are the trivial freedoms of a languid Tiger or two compared with the immense tribulations of the multitude of Rabbits?

We all admire "Bobby" Jones beyond words, but are we prepared to sacrifice ourselves deliberately to add to the burden of an already far-too-difficult game, as most of us undoubtedly find it to make things more exciting for the greatest golfer in the world? In America, apparently, the rank-and-file are willing, anyhow, all who count appear to be.

INTERNATIONAL SITUATION.

It is matter for regret that the United States Golf Association should have felt impelled to take a step so definitely against the trend of public opinion in this country that we cannot follow. We have given way on the question of steel shafts, thus removing one point of difference between British and American golf, only to find that the Americans are now setting up another.

Not that the new American ball will not be perfectly legitimate over here. Of course it will. It is open to any competitor in British championships to use any ball larger or lighter than the standard 1.62. Nothing smaller or heavier is allowed, that is all. It will be interesting to see whether the American cracks will change over to our ball when they come over here, or whether they will prefer to stick to their own, rather than risk upsetting their putting by the change.

For it is on the putting-green that the difference is most felt, and is also on the putting-green that championships are lost and won.

British challengers, on the other hand, will not be allowed to use the British ball in America. So much for the international situation. We may be deeply concerned in what the Americans do, do not do, but we cannot order their actions. All we can do is to do more to examine our own position closely, in order to satisfy ourselves that we are wise in "biting a wee." If the American innovation proved a tremendous success after all there would still be time for the bulk of British golfers to be converted; whereupon the R. and A. would be allowed to use the British ball in America. So much for the international situation. We may be deeply concerned in what the Americans do, do not do, but we cannot order their actions. All we can do is to do more to examine our own position closely, in order to satisfy ourselves that we are wise in "biting a wee."

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Sport Columns**M.C.C. TO VISIT INDIA.**

Touring Side Mainly Amateurs.

PREPARING FOR 1932.

The M.C.C. have informed the Indian Board of Control that they will send a team to India during the cold weather in 1931 if conditions are favourable, and the board is proceeding to make arrangements for the visit. The majority of the tourists will be amateurs.

The board is also collecting the sum of Rs.80,000 required for the Indian team's visit to England in 1932.

LAWN TENNIS.

"BUNNY" AUSTIN LEADS BRITISH PLAYERS.

BETTY THIRD.

London, Yesterday.
The following is the official ranking of lawn tennis-players in Great Britain:

Men's Singles.

1. H. W. Austin
2. H. G. N. Lee
3. J. C. Gregory

Ladies' Singles.

1. Mrs. Holcroft Watson
2. Miss Mudford
3. Miss Betty Nuttall

—Reuter.

"AUSSIE" PONIES.

SUB-GRIFFINS AT JOCKEY CLUB YESTERDAY.

LOCAL OWNERS.

Twenty Australian sub-griffins were drawn at the Jockey Club stables yesterday evening. The following were the results of the draw:

No.	Description	Drawn by
1	Bay gelding	Messrs. Hall & Shenton
2	Chestnut mare	Dynasty
3	Bay gelding	Messrs. Mackie & Grayburn
4	Chestnut mare	Messrs. Fung & Tang
5	Bay gelding	Chen Tin-sion
6	Chestnut mare	S. L. Kong
7	Bay gelding	W. T. Stanton
8	Chestnut mare	L. Roily
9	Bay gelding	Mrs. Pearce
10	Roan gelding	K. C. Law
11	Brown mare	Liang Hau-yuen
12	Chestnut gelding	G. A. Harriman
13	Brown mare	Kangaroos
14	Brown gelding	Messrs. Proulx & Hong Sling
15	Dun mare	Wong Ping-shun
16	Brown gelding	Dr. J. C. Macgown
17	Bay mare	Messrs. Lewis & Sheldon
18	Brown gelding	M. H. Logan
19	Bay mare	Kong E. Suen
20	Dun gelding	A. J. P. Head

Huge hitters profiting for bright but periods by wild hitting, but who can point to a single one of these Goliatists who has lasted except by surging his own inordinate length down well within the limits of control?

Let me give an illustration of two: Cyril Tolley took a spoon from the tee to win his first Amateur Championship from Robert Gardner at Muirfield in 1925. Roger Wethered took a cleek from the tee to win the Worpledon Mixed Four-somes with Midie Simone de la Chasuble in 1928 from Major and Miss Conroy.

Now go back a bit: Ted Blackwell—perhaps the greatest driver of all time—told me recently that he drove a guttie ball in 1898 up against the clubhouse steps from the eighteenth tee at St. Andrews—about 270yds, and uphill. In the same year E. G. Talbot drove a guttie 340 yds. I used to play with the latter quite a lot," writes H. S. Colt, the famous golf architect, "and I well remember his giving up with determination any effort to gain an extra 20 or 30 yds. when he could do it. He went all out on the shot. Tally won the Amateur Championship twice—but Blackwell never won it.

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which seem to me abundantly to account for the ease with which records are being broken, and for the increasing immobility of the modern ball. There is nothing unusual about that, however, in place that at all.

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LATEST ARSENAL SETBACK.

Clocks to Be Removed From Grounds.

F.A. ORDER.

Clocks on football grounds "providing to indicate the duration of play" are to be removed by order of the Football Association.

An official of the Arsenal, on whose ground a clock indicator was installed recently, explained that it was solely for the benefit of the spectators and did not port to give the official duration of play.

"When the referee blows his whistle the clock begins to work," he said, "and it is not stopped till the whistle goes for half-time. After the interval it is set going the moment the referee indicates the restart of play, and is stopped at the close."

"It registers forty-five minutes, but when there is a stoppage in play, due to an injury to a player or some other cause, the pointers of the clock register the extra time on red marks."

"The referee is the arbiter of the duration of play. He takes no notice of the clock."

Our Sports Diary**LOCAL.**

Racing—Sunday—Fanling Hunt meeting, Kwant.

Fencing—Monday—Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club.

Ping-Pong—Tomorrow—Kangto School v. Hop Chee Club (Chinese Catholic Club).

Athletics—To-day—South China Athletic Association Annual Sports Meeting, Carling Hill.

Cricket—To-day—Division I.

Indian R.C. v. Volunteers; Kowloon Married v. Singles.

Division II—Service v. Royal Engineers; Reccio v. Combined Schools; Police Married v. Singles.

Saturday—Indian R.C. v. Royal Artillery (I); Kowloon C.C. v. Hong Kong C.C. (I); Division II, Hong Kong C.C. v. Kowloon C.C. (I); R.A.S.C. v. Civil Service; F. Police v. Royal Signals (F).

Football—To-day—Charity Match—Services v. Rest, H.K.F.C. ground, 4 p.m.

Saturday—Division I—Recreio v. Club; Police v. Somersets; South China v. Royal Artillery; Navy v. St. Joseph's; Argylls v. Kowloon; Division II—Navy v. University; Chinese v. South China; Recreio v. Somersets; Argylls v. St. Joseph's; Eastern v. Royal Artillery; Kowloon v. Club; Division III—South China v. R.A.S.C.; R.A.O.C. v. Somersets; Royal Air Force v. Royal Engineers; Two v. Chinese.

Polo—Friday—Civilians v. Green Howards, 4 p.m.

Monday—All Army v. Green Howards, 4 p.m.

November 21—Polo Club v. Green Howards, 4 p.m.

Golf—Saturday—Entries close for R.H.K.C.C. and

Football—November 22—Wales v. England.

November 29—English Cup First Round.

HOCKEY.**Y.M.C.A. LOSE TO CLUB RESERVES.**

Playing as well as their opponents at King's Park, the Y.M.C.A. were unfortunate to lose to the Club second team by two goals to one. A feature of the game was that the spirit was far more evident than in the average club side. What they may lack in skill they more than make up for by their enthusiasm and spirit de corps.

Secondly, the standard of coaching in the schools to-day is very high. I can think of few better coaches than Mr. Gowen of Oranmore in the Club goal.

Major Kerrick opened the scoring for the Club, and E. C. Fincham increased the lead to 2-1.

T. Price, with a brilliant goal, reduced the arrears.

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Progress in Rugby is a slow business. Fixtures are made far ahead, and only a certain number of matches can be played each season, so that it is difficult for an improving side always to obtain the fixtures it deserves.</p

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List of ships expected to be in wireless communication with Hong Kong to-day: Tunda, Illinois, President Piero, Morioka Maru, Harunisan Maru, Van Heutsz, Kut Sang, Yingchow, Rawalpindi, Melbourne Maru, and Kasagisan Maru.

INWARD MAIIS

From	TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11.	Per
Japan and Shanghai	Chenonceaux	
Batavia	Tjessondari	
Shanghai	Kidderpore	
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12.		
Shanghai & Swatow	Sinkiang	
Java	Tjibesar	
Java	Buitenzorg	
Straits	Van Heutsz	
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13.		
Japan	Talamba	
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14.		
Europe via Negapatam (Letters and Papers, London, Oct. 16)	Haruna Maru	
Japan and Shanghai	Fushimi Maru	
Australia and Manila	Tai Ping	
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15.		
Japan and Amoy	Tjiliwong	
Japan	Bokyo Maru	
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, Oct. 17)	Prés. van Buren	
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17.		
Japan	Kitano Maru	
Japan	Wakasa Maru	
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, Oct. 24)	President Jackson	
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18.		
Australia and Manila	Atsuta Maru	
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19.		
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai, Vancouver, B.C., Oct. 30	Empress of Japan	

OUTWARD MAIIS

For	TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11.	Per
Samshui and Wuchow	Kong Só	4 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12.		
Holhaw, Pakhoi & Halphong	Limchow	8.30 a.m.
Amoy	Tjessondari	10.30 a.m.
Straits	Kidderpore	10.30 a.m.
Halphong	Canton	2.30 p.m.
Swatow	Van Heutsz	3.30 p.m.
Amoy	Tsinan	3.30 p.m.
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13.		
Holhaw, Pakhoi and Halphong	Menndo Maru	8.30 a.m.
Swatow	Hydrangen	3 p.m.
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14.		
Straits and Calcutta	Ho Sang	
Parcels	Nov. 14. Noon	
Letters	1 p.m.	
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia	Haiching	
Foochow	Haruna Maru	3.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius	Chinhuia	3.30 p.m.
*E. and *S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Fushimi Maru	
(Due Marseilles, Dec. 14.)		
K.P.O.		
Registration Nov. 14, 4.30 p.m.		
Letters	Nov. 15, 9 a.m.	
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15.		
Sandakan	Hin Sang	10.30 a.m.
Foochow via Swatow	Yu Sang	5 p.m.
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16.		
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Hoza Maru	9 a.m.
Holhaw and Bangkok	Klungchow	9 a.m.
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17.		
Manila, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island	Kitano Maru	
(Due Thursday Island, Dec. 1.)		
Registration Nov. 18, 8.45 a.m.		
Letters	9.30 a.m.	
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19.		
Japan	Atsuta Maru	9.30 a.m.
Manila	Empress of Japan	3.30 p.m.
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20.		
Manila, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island	Tai Ping	
(Due Thursday Island, Dec. 2.)		
Parcels	Nov. 20, 5 p.m.	
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Letters	10.30 a.m.	

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LENA GOLDFIELDS CLAIM.

Evidence of Soviet Obstruction.

SALES DIFFICULTIES.

When the hearing was resumed at the Law Courts of the arbitration proceedings in which Lena Goldfields, Ltd., and the Government of the U.S.S.R. are parties, Mr. Alexander Malozemoff, the former managing director of the company, continued his evidence.

He said the company employed about fourteen or fifteen thousand workmen in Russia. "It was not merely our duty to feed and clothe these people," he added, "it was a necessity, as otherwise they would not have worked."

Dr. V. R. Idelson, counsel for Lena Goldfields, read number of lengthy extracts from letters and telegrams which the company sent to the Russian Government, protesting against being excluded from buying in the open market or from Government institutions as had been agreed.

Sir Leslie Scott (to the witness): What was it that prevented you from buying at the right season? You complain of making financial losses because you had to buy out of season. What made it necessary to buy out of season?—We were in the hands of the Government, and they would not sell to us.

Relying to Professor Stutzer, Mr. Malozemoff said: "We were always last on the list for receiving raw materials. Many times I said that we must be treated on an equal basis, in accordance with this concession agreement, with the State organisations—representatives of the Government Trusts—came to it" and said that they could not pay more than a certain price, which was below the cost of production.

He dealt with its difficulties in selling nails, even though there was a shortage of nails.

Sir Leslie Scott: Was there an official list in which you were put last in order of preference, or are you merely referring to the fact that other people got supplies before you?—I am referring to the fact you mentioned last.

Lena on No List.

Dr. Idelson: It is quite clearly stated that we were not included in any list. This was another instance of putting Lena outside, isolating Lena—she was not in any list at all.

Mr. Malozemoff went on to say that as the result of difficulties made by the authorities they could not properly supply their workmen and employees with the necessary foodstuffs, and therefore, the workmen regarded themselves as treated worse than other employees.

He also stated that the company had the duty to supply its workmen with clothing in accordance with the collective agreements which it had with the trade unions. During the first period, when the Government were not limiting the company's rights, it was obtaining the necessary clothing for the workmen partly from abroad, partly from buying in the local market. At the end of 1928 the company was informed that it would not be allowed to buy clothing in the market because all the stuff there would be distributed, according to certain plans, and only certain Government organisations would receive these textiles. And then it was asked to apply to this Government organisation (the Central Clothing Trust) for all the clothing which it would need for its workmen.

Managers Punished.

Dr. Idelson said that a number of workmen managers were not allowed to leave their works because of an accusation by a labour inspector regarding the employment of temporary workmen and the suggestion that the clothing provided was not of the best quality.

"The clothing was received from the Government department?" Dr. Idelson asked.

Mr. Malozemoff: Yes.

"And yet the managers were punished for its bad quality." Dr. Idelson commented.

Mr. Sampson, the company's manager in Moscow, had to write to the Supreme Economic Council

pointing out that the local authorities had issued a decree forbidding the sale of scrap metals to anyone except one organisation which had been granted a monopoly. He drew attention to Article 18 of the agreement, which promised an open market. In January, 1930, a letter was received from the Public Prosecutor, declaring that the right to supply non-ferrous metals scrap belonged to one company exclusively, and that the concession agreement did not provide otherwise.

Agents Prevented from Buying.

In further evidence, Mr. Malozemoff said:

"In 1926 the local authorities started to impose on us. We sent our agents to buy butter, flour, etc., but when they were buying they were confronted with Government agents, who sometimes prevented our agents from buying by force. It went on from day to day, and then our right to buy was restricted. Not only were our people stopped, but the population had orders not to serve us."

"After a long absence because of illness," added Mr. Malozemoff, "I found restrictions everywhere. It was an absolute cancellation of our rights. We could not import anything, and we could not buy anything. There was a continuous struggle in order to get just a little to carry on with."

Questioned as to transport difficulties, the witness said the company did not receive on a footing of equality cars necessary for moving its materials.

Nails Sales Difficulties.

Mr. Malozemoff next dealt with the allegation that the Soviet Government had prevented Lena Goldfields from freely selling its products on the markets of the U.S.S.R. He said that the company's customers—representatives of the Government Trusts—came to it and said that they could not pay more than a certain price, which was below the cost of production.

He dealt with its difficulties in selling nails, even though there was a shortage of nails.

Sir Leslie Scott: In 1930 there were only you and the Government making nails?—There were no private enterprises.

How did your output compare in value with the Government output?—It was comparatively small. We produced about 300 tons monthly.

How much did the Government enterprise produce?—I don't know the exact figure, but it was certainly tens of thousands of tons.

So that there was no fear of your creating a monopoly in nail and forcing up the price?—Oh, no.

Dr. Idelson: Have you ever sold gold or silver in Russia?—Not freely.

Mr. Malozemoff went on to explain that the company was promised under the agreement that gold which it did not sell to the Government it would be able to sell freely in Russia. When it started its work the Government told it that this could not be done because it would be speculation.

Premium Proposal.

Dr. Idelson read a letter written by Major Gwynne, when he was in Russia (May 31, 1928), to Mr. Herbert Guedalla, the chairman of the company, which ran: "In view of the price of gold at the rates of the London Exchange, as provided in the agreement, being insufficient for covering the expense of the enterprise and in order to assist the possible working of the gravel to the full extent, we ask to establish a premium of 90 per cent over and above the price of gold established in the agreement."

In explanation, Mr. Malozemoff said that the Government objected to giving gold—pounds, sterling and dollars—for gold, and paid in roubles, until he flatly refused to give it the company's whole production of gold for roubles. When the company pressed for a licence to sell, the Government would not issue a licence. Looking for a peaceful solution, the company suggested a premium. This premium it had always regarded as insufficient.

Rouble's Purchasing Power.

Sir Leslie Scott said that

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5.35 p.m.—Wartime Memories, Aldershot Searchlight Tattoo Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards with full Choir (9110).

War Marching Song, Debray Somers Band (DX12).

Bacchanalia—Drinking Songs Fantasy, Herman Finck & Orchestra (9240).

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Martial Moments—March Medley, Regimental Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards (9065).

6.30 p.m.—Variety, Father's Favourites, Organ Solo by Terence Casey (DB249).

The Charge of the Light Brigade, No Power on Earth, Billy Bennett, Comedian (9205).

At the Races, Descriptive Sketch, Clapham and Dwyer (5201).

Lionel Monckton Memories, Columbia Light Opera Co. (9883).

Crossing the Line—Descriptive, The Comedy Sketch Co. (4586).

The Merry Widow—Selection, London Theatre Orchestra (DX84).

Gaiety Echoes, Herman Finck and His Orchestra (7178).

The Belle of New York—Selection, Regimental Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards (9192).

7.30 p.m.—Brahms Sonata in D Minor, Op. 108, Violin & Piano by Efrem Zimbalist and Harry Kaufman (67789).

8 p.m.—Chinese Relay from Kung Shing Theatre.

9 p.m.—Weather Report.

11 p.m.—Close Down.

BRITISH SHIPPING AND WIRELESS.

COMPETITION WITHSTOOD.

Speaking at the opening of the extensions to the Marconi works at Chelmsford, Mr. F. G. Kellaway, managing director of the company, said the British Empire had done the pioneer work in the methods of communication, whether by telegraph, telephone, aircraft or shipping, and had built up systems of incomparable strength and mobility.

In their own field of long-distance telegraphy and telephony, the British Empire, from the time of Marconi's invention, had led the world, while shipping enterprises and an instinctive sea sense had enabled the shipping owners to build up a position which no other country could equal.

"There is nothing finer in British industry than the way the British shipping owners, in good times as well as bad—they are now passing through a very bad time—have maintained the supremacy of British industry," he said. "Both in our own sphere and in that of the British shipping owner our position can only be maintained by constant endeavour."

The work done by the Radio towards peace must certainly not be underestimated. It does not show outwardly, it is a mysterious process within the human mind which gradually but surely alters and ennobles.

This is delicate work, like the embossing of a rare metal, the kneading and turning of vase into sublime shape.

At the same time it is a noble, an exalted task, reserved for the Radio, a task of which—the occasion of the tenth anniversary of the armistice it really ought to be mentioned for once in a way—it acquires itself in an excellent manner.

And in this way the statue of peace could be regarded as a depiction of the constant growth, the ever-increasing influence of the Radio.

The palm-branch of old has been the symbol of peace. The "singing towers" of the broadcasting stations, whose slender shapes everywhere are pointing to heaven, could be called the modern symbols of peace.

ARCTIC AIR ROUTE.

From the latest despatches it is gathered that this expedition, which left London in Shackleton's old ship "Quest" on July 17, with the object of surveying the all-British Air Route across the Arctic to Canada, has, after an easy passage through the ice to the Greenland coast, settled at Angmagssalik and has established a base on the mainland of Greenland.

where two large glaciers come down to the sea.

A hut was built here and the seaplane carried by the party has been assembled. Extensive survey flights have already been made. By now the first of the sub-expeditions by dog sledge to the ice cap is well under way. Here a meteorological station will be established and the expedition will then proceed up the coast to map the mountain belt. An important part of the expedition's equipment consists of wireless transmitting and receiving sets which will enable the sledge parties to keep in touch with the main base and the main base to communicate with the headquarters of the expedition in London.

Already this equipment has been set up at the base and is in communication with headquarters. The Mullard Wireless Service Company Ltd. provided valves for both the transmitting and receiving equipment—the receiving sets employed by the parties on the ice being provided by Messrs. Stratton and Company of Birmingham.

'MINIWATT' VALVES.

SOME REMARKABLE PARTICULARS.

At present almost everybody is in some degree informed as to the principal features and function of radio valves. It is also generally known that the processes taking place in the interior of the valve are very complicated, and therefore many will be interested to learn a few particulars about "Miniwatt" valves, which date are supplied by the Philips laboratories.

Whether valves are functioning well or not greatly depends on the degree of vacuum. This plays a still more important part in valves with a low filament current consumption than in valves with tungsten filament.

By the pumping process applied in Eindhoven, whereby all parts of the valve are brought to a red heat in order to expel occluded gases present in the material, a vacuum is obtained equalling less than one ten-millionth of a millimetre mercurial pressure, which can practically be called the absolute vacuum.

The Philips valves owe their long life in a large measure to the comparatively low temperature, to which the filament is heated. A few figures will show this.

In a radio valve of the obsolete type with a brightly glowing filament, the temperature amounted to about 2,500 deg. C. In contrast to this the filament used in the Philips B 405 has a filament temperature of only about 1,000 deg. C.

The function of a valve is based on a flow of electrons which are released from the filament. When a high positive voltage is applied to the anode of the valve, these electrons are drawn to the anode or plate at great speed. The speed reached by the electrons at an anode voltage of 120 volts is about 7,000 kilometres per second, which means that such an electron could travel round the earth's circumference 10 times in one minute. This speed is not influenced by variations in grid voltage; only the number of electrons reaching the plate is varied thereby. (China Mail Copy-right, 1930.)

IG—GNOME—INIOUS.

The children had been learning a poem about fairies and gnomes when the teacher asked:

"Who knows what a gnome is?" There was silence for a while.

"Then one little boy answered, 'The place where you live' with your mother and father, miss!"

Just a little matter of a missing aspirate. But it takes considerably more than an aspirate to make home in the truest sense of the word. It takes harmony, love and above all, health, for both adults and young ones. In so many homes, the children, who ought to be the source of life's greatest joys, are mother's chiefest burden and anxiety on account of ill-health.

In homes such as these Baby's Own Tablets would prove a boon and a blessing. Mothers all over the world have written expressing their gratitude for this splendid medicine for the children. Everywhere parents are turning from the old-fashioned crude remedies, and are finding in this product of modern science the perfect health regulator for the very young which parents have awaited so long. Baby's Own Tablets have been specially designed for the use of infants and young children, by highly qualified medical authorities, and the various ingredients, all absolutely pure and guaranteed harmless, are dispensed in the accepted ideal ratio for the correction of infantile indigestion, colic, constipation, and stomach and bowel troubles generally. The tablets check diarrhoea especially for the young baby, they are invaluable during teething, easing the pains and thus quite naturally inducing sound sleep. Mothers—you MUST try Baby's Own Tablets, hand! Get a bottle from your chemist to-day.

PARADISE FOR HOMELESS CATS.

Janitor Provides Asylum for Feline Waifs.

Chicago, Oct. 2.

A paradise of hamburger, cream and mice for homeless cats and an employment agency for good ratters temporarily out of work has been maintained for eight years in the middle of Chicago's roaring traffic, surrounded by skyscrapers high enough to make even a cat dizzy.

In the window of a vacant store at Wacker Drive and Washington Street eight fat sleek cats are seen daily sitting in a contented row. They are the well provided for wards of Jim (Happy) Fuller, the janitor of the building who believes nothing is too good for his pets.

Board for the cats daily requires 75 cents a day. The salary and it goes to buy milk for the kittens and hamburger for the larger cats with plenty of salmon on Sundays.

"When I die," said Happy, "I hope they bury me over the North-western tracks. That's where I've buried the little cats that died these last eight years."

Employment Bureau.

Happy believes he has raised a hundred cats during the years he has maintained his asylum for feline wayfarers. For some of them, chiefly the best ratters, he has found other homes where their talents may be of use.

"I've given the new opera building two fine ratters and I must have given the telephone company a dozen for their building. I stay up all night the night the kittens come, but I can't help much."

Happy makes his home in the building with the cats. He has trained them not to molest the things in his room.

"You can teach cats just like children," he contends. "All these cats know their name and they all ramble about the roof at night. 'Dick,' called Happy.

Dick, a 20-pound, eight-year-old, jumped to his shoulder.

"Teddies, Cockie, Nellie, Tommie, Midget..."

Obediently all the cats responded except Midget who was engrossed with an elaborate trapeze of rubber rings and balls.

"I don't know what nits that kitten," Happy complained. "She won't mind worth a cent."

"I got to liking cats during the Spanish-American war," said Happy. "I was with the 3rd-regiment, company S. from Somerville, N.J. There was a cat with our outfit and it was my job to feed her. She used to go into battle as brave as any soldier. People can learn a lot from cats."

Happy is inclined to believe in reincarnation, contending that many cats have bigger and more generous souls than people.

"Maybe in the next world we'll all be cats," he said. (United Press.)

DECLINE OF CONEY ISLAND.

America's Playground Feeling the Depression.

New York, Sept. 28.

Coney Island, greatest amusement place of the continent, is losing money.

Concessions at the famous playground—say this season—has been their worst. Last year was bad, due to too-frequent rains, but this year there is no excuse except that people are not spending.

"It takes \$5 to see all the sights, but the average visitor to Coney spends under 25 cents," lamented an attache of the biggest amusement centre. "Prices have been reduced, but people aren't spending.

Tourists seem to be on a budget, and most of them leave no more than \$1 with us."

Cheap Motor Cars.

Two reasons were given. One is that all business is dull, and amusements are the first to suffer. The other is that the middle-class patrons, who used to go to Coney Island now drive in their less priced cars to more distant and less crowded beaches. (United Press.)

PUBLIC HYGIENE.

HOW MARSHAL PILSUDSKI DEALS WITH THE PRESS.

Under the pretence of "reasons of public hygiene," whatever that may mean in this case, the Warsaw police, at the order of Marshal Pilsudski, recently prevented the newspaper boys and delivery vans from having access to the offices of the opposition papers.

The Marshal apparently wants to show the public the great variety of methods he has at his disposal for fighting the opposition parties.

U.S. WEDDING IN BRITAIN.

Primate's Ruling Acts As Check.

Several U.S. engagements planned to culminate with a marriage in Britain have been postponed during the present tourist season because of new rules governing the issue of special licences.

A special licence costs £25, and can only be obtained from the Archbishop of Canterbury's Faculty Office, Knightbridge Street, London, E.C. This licence does away with the necessity of residential qualifications.

In recent years many American couples have been married in the church at Stratford-on-Avon, at St. George's, Hanover Square, or St. Margaret's, Westminster, with these licences.

Recently the Primate, in correspondence with the American Consulate, stated that lack of residential qualification was not sufficient excuse for the issue of a special licence, and that applications would in future be dealt with in the same way as those from British citizens.

The Archbishop of Canterbury is the only person in Britain who can authorise a special licence. It is authorised "under special circumstances" and enables marriage to take place in any unregistered building at any time of the day or night.

Unaware of the new rules, many Americans have applied to the U.S. Consulate for a letter to take to the Faculty Office, only to be informed that a special licence would not be issued merely because they had the money to pay for it.

NO HOLIDAY FOR MUSSOLINI.

Too Much Work to Be Done.

While a portion of the Press in many countries has been describing Mussolini as gravely ill with a dangerous stomach disease and about to undergo an operation, he has continued with undiminished vigour the multitudinous occupation which have earned him fame as one of the world's hardest workers.

From early morning until late at night he is in his new office in the Palazzo Venezia. He believes in doing things himself, and there are few aspects of Italian life which do not receive his personal attention.

In only one detail has the Duce changed his mode of life—he no longer takes as much physical exercise as formerly. Riding and fencing have been replaced by a little Swedish drill.

Car Dashes to Sea.

His chief relaxation at present is to bathe from the beach of the royal estate of Castel Porziano, on the Tyrrhenian Sea, some 20 miles from Rome. It is often he can spare the necessary couple of hours, but when he can drives his car at a high speed over the new highway connecting Rome and Ostia.

Even then, he fills the time between dips in the sea by dictating replies to urgent communications.

Mussolini's private life is as simple as ever. He resides in the Villa Torlonia, lent to him by Prince Torlonia, but he is never in it except to sleep and take his meals. He rises in the morning at 6 o'clock, and after a frugal breakfast drives to the Palazzo Venezia to begin the day's work.

He has no fixed hour for luncheon, which may be taken any time between 1 and 2 o'clock, according to the importance of the affairs which claim his attention.

Dining Off Sandwiches.

His luncheon consists of a plate of soup, a dish of meat and vegetables, and some fruit. He does not take coffee, does not smoke, and drinks very little wine. After about half an hour's postprandial relaxation he is back in his office.

His dinner time varies from 9 o'clock in the evening to 1 or 2 o'clock in the morning. Sometimes he takes only a few sandwiches in his office.

An excellent illustration of Mussolini's procedure in tackling administrative problems is afforded by the recent measures adopted to meet the threat of unemployment in the coming winter.

He ordered his Ministers to draw up a programme of urgent public works, and within a few days it was ready and the necessary finance provided.

He also devised another important programme of municipal works which will provide employment for scores of thousands of workers.

Mussolini believes that unemployment can be faced better by providing work than by paying doles, and in this way unemployment has been limited so far to about 400,000 individuals out of a population only slightly lower than England's.

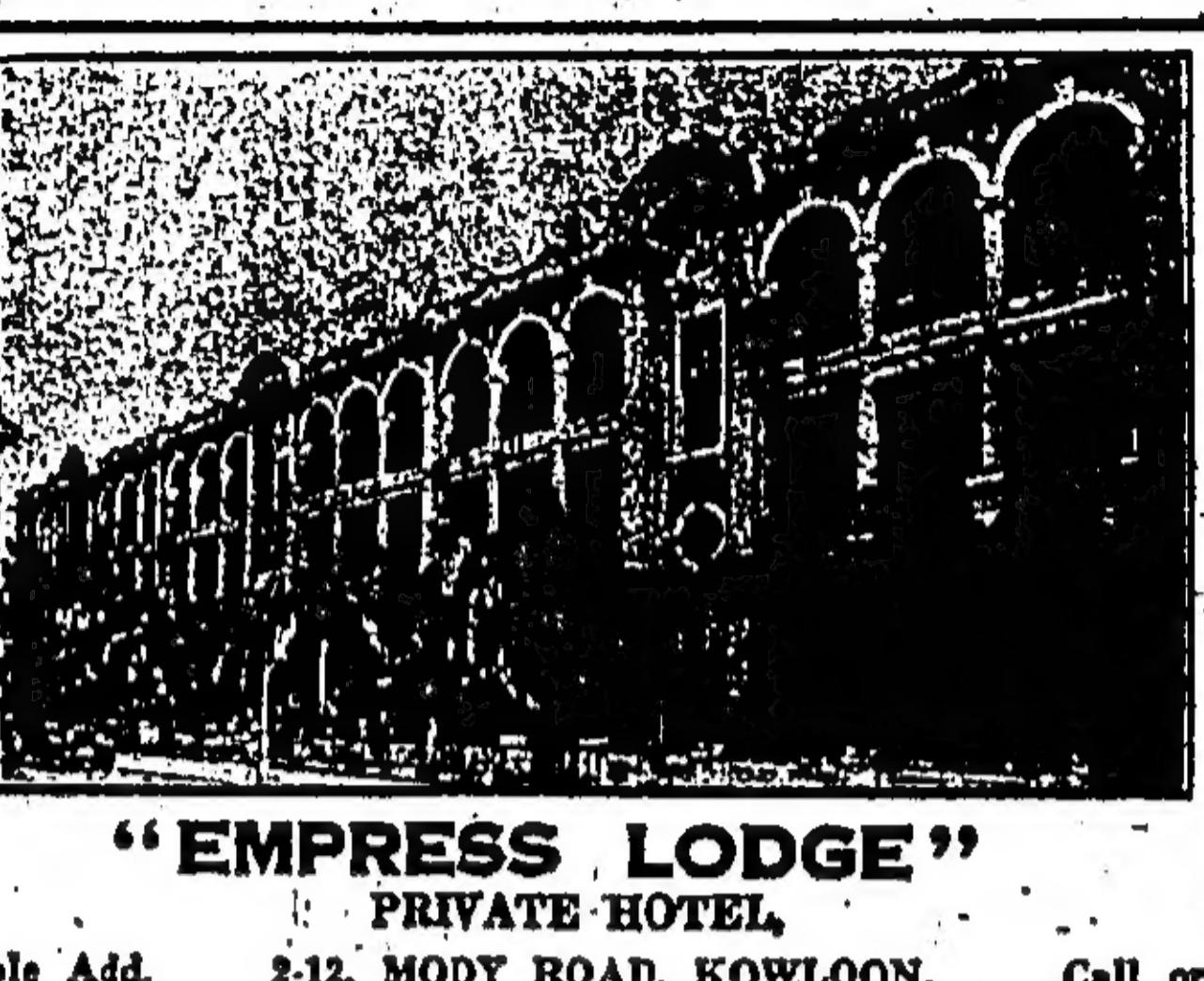
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ARMISTICE DAY.

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should be reduced to its true perspective in the minds of the public by the remembrance of the kindly courteous and gallant attitude of the average soldier of the Garrison. All he asks in return is an equally considerate attitude on the part of the public.

In conclusion let us thank God for all His blessings and ask Him to fill with true wisdom the minds of those who are now guiding the destinies of Nations so that present problems may be solved and the highest good of all may be achieved.

A YEAR AGO.

Primate and Hope of the World.

"We surely bring with us a deepened resolve that the horrors which these men faced and endured shall never again, please God, darken and desolate the earth," said the Archbishop of Canterbury, addressing a congregation in St. Paul's Cathedral following the Great Silence on November 11, 1929.

"But resolve," the Archbishop continued, "is ineffective unless it can find a centre of action. We find that centre in the League of Nations. We are asked to-day to observe the tenth anniversary of its birth.

"During these ten years it has established its place as the only lasting basis of world peace. The treaty of peace was the work of men weary and nerve-wracked, bewildered and angered by the confusion with which war had filled the world. Thus in many parts it reflected the spirit of war.

One Light of Hope.

"But, thank God, out of it rose one clear voice of peace, one light of hope—the League of Nations. Yet, for long, it was doubtful whether it could fulfil the promise of its birth.

"Although the United States of America still stand aloof they have made their own contribution to the work of the League. They have pledged themselves and led other nations to pledge themselves

to renounce war altogether as an instrument of national policy, and to settle their disputes by arbitration.

"Above all—and this is, I think, the main achievement of these ten years—the League is slowly but steadily creating a power for peace more sure than any facts and treaties—the power of a common international mind and care and conscience and will.

"Let us cease from cries of doubt or impatience or disappointment or fear, and let us resolve to go forward in the work which for these ten years the League of Nations has thus far nobly advanced."

PRESS VIEWS OF 1929.

Brighter Omens.

The omens for peace are brighter, but they are still not such as to justify us in sloth and selfishness, in partisan quarrels, in party wrangling over the shadows of things. We must build at home, in our national life, in our domestic and political life, not less than in our individual life, in the light of the devotion and the sacrifice of them who, "being dead, yet speak." Their victory will be hollow if we forget.—Daily Dispatch.

Armistice Day.

This is no day for merrymaking; decent feeling forbids it. But it is a day for friendliness, for generosity, for reconciliation; it is also one for some mental stocktaking.—Daily Chronicle.

The Silence.

The most impressive ceremony of Armistice Day is the silence that falls on a whole people, hushing for a brief instant its tasks and its amusements, its cares and its laughter. That silence is a prayer, and the prayer of men and women with no hatred in their hearts.—Manchester Guardian.

Happiness for the Living.
As we honour the dead, let us remember the living. A sum equal to the cost of one day of war would work a miracle of happiness. Our sincerity is put to the test as the poppies appear in the streets.—Daily Telegraph.

It is no exaggeration to say that not a single blow of Baldock's ever hurt me, and I had no difficulty in getting under his defence when I wanted to.—Benny Sharkey.

Two masters of the pitch shot stand out before us to-day—Walter Hagen and Abe Mitchell. Day in and day out, they can get closer to the hole from 50 up to 120 yards than any other man playing golf.—Bobby Jones.

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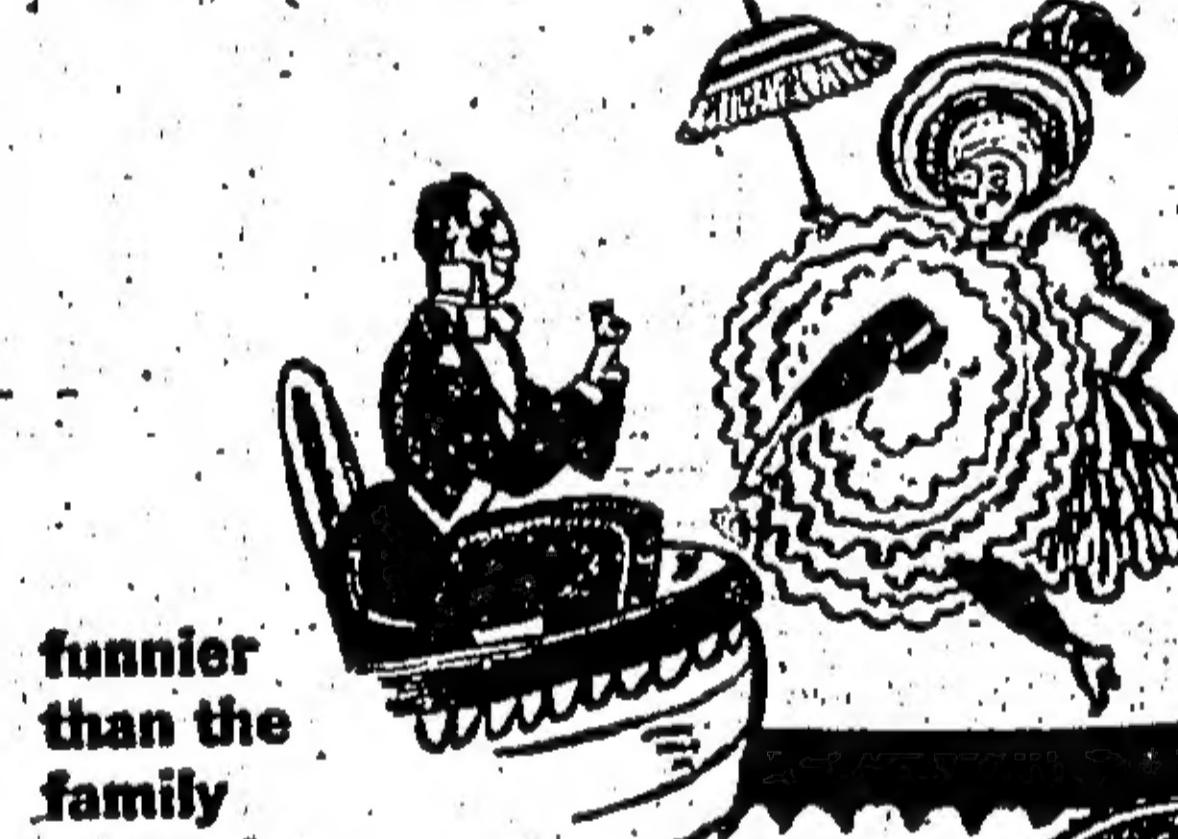
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